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Description: ff. i + 18 + i - Nineteenth century. Half brown leather over pasteboard, the boards covered with red paper. On the spine a black leather label with the gold-tooled title "CODICILLE / I. DE MEUN" and a green circular paper label with the handwritten shelfmark "301". - Purchased in 1989 (?) from Laurence Witten on the Edwin J. Beinecke Fund.

Notes: -Manuscript on parchment (low quality) of 1) Jean de Meun (ca. 1240, d. before 1305), *Le Testament*. 2) Raoul de Houdenc (ca. 1170-ca. 1230), *Le Songe d'Enfer* (*La Voie d'Enfer*), 1-672. At least 6 verses are missing at the end; they were probably written on a leaf now missing after f. 18.

Number of Parts: 1 - *Number of Images Available:* 0

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Language: French *Century:* 14th

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Part 1:

Description: - parchment - 215 x 165 mm.

Country:

Region: Northern France

Assigned Date: [between 1300 and 1350]

Dated by scribe: No

Document: No

Cardinal point:

City:

Searchable Date Range: 1300 - 1350

Inscribed Date:

Number of Scribes:

Script: Copied by one hand in a rather uneven Northern Gothic Textualis Libraria, marked by many fusions.

Notes: The opening letters of all verses are heightened in red; in art. 1 the first verse of each quatrain except the first one opens with a 1-line plain red initial. Art. 1 opens with a 3-line plain red initial, art. 2 with a 2-line one. All initials are executed over guide-letters. The codex is badly trimmed, causing the loss of letters at the end of verses. Binding: Nineteenth century. Half brown leather over pasteboard, the boards covered with red paper. On the spine a black leather label with the gold-tooled title "CODICILLE / I. DE MEUN" and a green circular paper label with the handwritten shelfmark "301".

Number of Texts: 1

Text 1:

Author: Jean de Meun d. 1305?

Title: *Le testament*; Raoul de Houdenc, *Le Songe d'Enfer*.

Subjects: Jean, de Meun, d. 1305?; Raoul, de Houdenc, ca. 1165-ca. 1230.; French literature--To 1500.; French poetry--To 1500.; Manuscripts, Medieval--Connecticut--New Haven.;

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